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GLOBAL HUNGER INDEX SEEKS TO TAINT INDIA'S IMAGE: GOVT

India's poor ranking in the Global Hunger Index is part of a consistent effort to tarnish its image, the Centre said

BASED ON ERRONEOUS INDICATORS: CENTRE

The Centre said three of four indicators used for the index are related to health of children— stunting, wasting and under 5 mortality—which can't be representative of the entire population. It said the fourth and the most important indicator— proportion of undernourished — is based on an opinion poll conducted on a small sample size of 3,000

RANKING SHOWS PAK, LANKA BETTER OFF

- The Centre said the index, published by Concern Worldwide and Welthungerhilfe, incorrectly portrays India as a nation that doesn't fulfil its citizens' food security and nutritional needs
- India ranked 107 out of 121 in the index, behind Pakistan (99), Bangladesh (84), Nepal (81), and Sri Lanka (64)

29.1

INDIA'S SCORE IN 2022 GLOBAL HUNGER INDEX, DOWN FROM 28.2 IN 2014

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SC suspends HC order, Saibaba to remain in prison

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

FORMER Delhi University professor G N Saibaba will remain in jail as the Supreme Court on Saturday suspended Friday's Bombay High Court order acquitting the wheelchair-bound scholar-activist and others in a Maoist-links case.

A bench of judges M R Shah and Bela M Trivedi also rejected Saibaba's request for putting him under house arrest in view of his disability. "We are not finding fault with you (Saibaba) but finding fault with HC's judgment for not entering into the merits of the case and for finding a shortcut to decide," Justice Shah said.

G N Saibaba

The two-judge bench also noted that the accused were convicted by the lower court after detailed appreciation of evidence for very serious offences, which are against the sovereignty and integrity of India. "In view of the above, we are of the firm opinion that the impugned judgement and order passed by the HC is required to be suspended," the top court said in its order while issuing notice and posting the plea for December 8. The directive came on Maharashtra government's appeal against the HC order.

Seeking bail for Saibaba, advocate R Basant said, "He is 90% disabled... in a wheelchair and there are no helpers to help him answer the nature's call. Co-jailed persons are helping him and it's causing him stress."

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta countered saying Saibaba was involved in separatist movement in J&K, waging a war against the democratic setup of the country and arranging meetings of Maoist commanders. "He was their brain," he said. Basant said Saibaba may be ideologically close to Maoists, but is certainly not their brain. "So far as terrorist or Maoist activities are concerned, the brain is more dangerous. Direct involvement is not necessary," remarked Justice Shah.

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, accompanied by Siddaramaiah, waves to the crowd as the party's Bharat Jodo Yatra enters Ballari on Saturday | @INCKarnataka

"I will never forget the kind of support and love that I have received from the people of Karnataka. They have doubled my enthusiasm during the yatra — Rahul Gandhi to *The New Sunday Express*

BJP spreading hate, responsible for inflation, corruption, says Rahul

PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA
A KIRAN KALANNANAVAR @ Ballari

IN a mega rally attended by an estimated 2 lakh people in Ballari as part of the Bharat Jodo Yatra on Saturday, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi tore into the BJP-led state government accusing it of being responsible for serious issues like price rise, corruption and unemployment.

Addressing the rally at the Municipal Ground in Ballari, Rahul alleged that the state government is involved in various scams. He said the government has rightly been dubbed as "40 per cent government" as no work is being done without bribe. The Congress leader said that there are 2.5 lakh vacant posts in state government departments and that one should cough up Rs 80 lakh to become a police sub-inspector.

Rahul also spoke about the UPA government's decision to implement Article 371(J) for Kalyana-Karnataka and how it changed the lives of the people in the region. Several people got government jobs, lakhs of students got admission in institutions and more funds started flowing in for development works, he added.

Rahul attacked the ideology of the BJP and RSS and termed it "anti-national". He said the RSS and BJP are pursuing an ideology of hate and violence, which is an attack on the very essence of the idea of India. The Congress' ongoing yatra has been taken out to oppose rightist ideology, he said. P4

Kashmiri Pandit shot dead in latest targeted killing

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

A Kashmiri Pandit was shot dead in Jammu and Kashmir's Shopian district on Saturday, marking the third incident of target killing of Pandits in the Valley in five months. Puran Krishan Bhat was gunned down while he was on his way to an orchard in Chowdari Gund in Shopian in the afternoon, police said. He sustained multiple bullet injuries and was rushed to a nearby hospital, where doctors declared him brought dead.

Deputy IGP (South Kashmir) Sujit Kumar said a preliminary probe revealed a militant fired at Bhat. A team of local police, CRPF and the Army launched an operation to track down the culprits. A lesser-known terrorist outfit, Kashmir Freedom Fighters, claimed responsibility for the killing. It claimed it had already warned about attacks on Pandits and non-locals in the aftermath of the dilution of Article 370.

EXPRESS READ

Again, B'luru-Mysuru highway hit by rain

Mysuru: Traffic on the busy Bengaluru-Mysuru road was again hit due to heavy rain lashing Old Mysuru region over the last few days. Weekend travellers to Mysuru had to come through Malavalli or Bellur Cross via Pandavapura as Badanur tank between Mandya and Maddur breached. P4

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Waste mgmt: NGT directs K'taka to pay ₹2,900 crore

New Delhi

THE National Green Tribunal (NGT) has directed the Karnataka government to pay Rs 2,900 crore as environmental compensation for improper management of solid and liquid waste. A tribunal headed by chairperson Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel said the steps taken by Karnataka for solid waste management and for handling liquid waste were "inadequate". The NGT bench also comprising Justice Sudhir Agarwal and expert members A Senthil Vel and Afroz Ahmad said that the gap in the generation and scientific handling of solid and liquid waste had resulted in damage to the environment and public health.

Award of compensation had become necessary under Section 15 of the NGT Act to remedy the continuing damage to the environment and comply with Supreme Court directions, the bench said, adding it is high time the state realises its duty to the law and citizens. P5

Sri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy,
Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Revamping & Revitalising the Health Sector

Which was neglected by the Previous Regime..

Jagananna Government is taking another step forward to ensure that no post is left vacant in Government Hospitals

WALK-IN INTERVIEWS..
For appointment of Speciality and Super Speciality Doctors on Permanent / Contract basis..

With a noble aim to provide quality and advanced treatment to the poor, Jagananna Government has implemented revolutionary programs in Health Sector – Completely transforming and developing Village Clinics, Primary Health Centers, Community Health Centers, Area hospitals, District hospitals, Teaching hospitals as per National Standards.. Construction of 17 new medical colleges along with development of Infrastructure in existing 11 medical colleges under "Nadu-Nedu"(Then-Now), expansion of Dr. YSR Aarogyasri services, recuperation allowance under Dr. YSR Aarogya Aasara, expansion of 104/108 services, establishment of Dr. YSR Village/Urban Health Clinics, Family Doctor Concept etc.. Recruitment of health staff has already been done to fill 40,676 posts which includes the posts that have been lying vacant since long due to the negligence of previous Government and newly created posts by our Government.. Walk-in interviews are being held now to fill those few vacancies as well..

Details of health staff recruited by Jagananna Government in 3 yrs 4 months since coming to power..

Category	No. Recruited
Specialists	2,797
Medical Officers	929
Staff Nurses	4,894
MLHPs	8,351
ANMs	13,154
Paramedical	7,005
DEOs	249
Class IV	3,297
Total	40,676

SPECIALITY, SUPER SPECIALITY POSTS VACANCY DETAILS..

DIRECTORATE OF MEDICAL EDUCATION

BROAD SPECIALTIES		SUPER SPECIALTIES	
RADIOLOGY	17	CARDIOLOGY	12
EMERGENCY MEDICINE	16	UROLOGY	09
FORENSIC MEDICINE	13	NEURO SURGERY	08
PATHOLOGY	13	PAEDIATRIC SURGERY	04

More than 300 vacancies in all departments

ANDHRA PRADESH VAIDYA VIDHANA PARISHAD

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More than 100 vacancies in all departments

WALK-IN INTERVIEWS..

Dates: 19th, 20th & 21st October, 2022
Time: 10 AM to 5.30 PM
Maximum age limit: 70 Years
Venue: O/o Director of Medical Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Old Government General Hospital Premises, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh-520003
For further details visit: dme.ap.nic.in

Mode of appointment	Post	Salary per Month*
Contract	Specialist Doctor (Rural Areas)	Rs.1,30,000
	Specialist Doctor (Tribal, Backward Areas)	Rs.1,60,000
	Super Speciality Doctor	Rs.1,60,000
Permanent	Salaries and allowances as per State Government pay scales.	

* Additional incentives can be considered basing on experience and posting in remote areas.

DME Recruitment Help line
07995055087

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06301138782

Smt. Vidadala Rajini, Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare

Come, let's be part of the massive exercise undertaken by Jagananna to provide advanced quality medical care to the poor..!!

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